ALMA MATER

“The Netherlands”
(first stanza)

O Hofstra, to honor thy name we foregather,
Rejoicing in voicing thy praises anew;
By thee we are guided, with counsel provided;
Sustain us with thy strength in the paths we pursue.
Commencement Exercises

Thursday, December 18, 2008

This is the unofficial program of the December 18, 2008, Commencement. The official program for records and archives will be published on March 20, 2009.
History of Hofstra

In 1912 William Hofstra had booked passage on the Titanic for his return voyage from Europe. However, a business proposition in Canada forced him to change his plans. Instead he took a ship to Halifax, and the events of his personal history took their rightful course. Information reported in the newspapers of the times allows us to look back at the history of the Hofstras and view their lives in a more personal and intimate light.

The Hofstras enjoyed a lifestyle filled with social engagements, travel and business ventures. The society pages and gossip columns of the local papers such as the Hempstead Sentinel as well as papers such as The New York Times reported on these events on a continuous basis. From 1894 through the 1930s, both Mr. and Mrs. Hofstra appeared in print for participation in charity events, departures for vacations, hosting wedding receptions at their estate, and attendance at various recreational activities.

The earliest report of the Hofstras abroad is 1894, when William and Kate Hofstra departed for Liverpool on the ship Majestic. In 1902 a The New York Times reporter in Paris reported that “American visitors in Paris are preparing to return in September,” and included the Hofstras among those who had been to Carlsbad, and were headed for the Hotel Ritz. Also in 1902, an article described the Meadow Brook’s races, and how the “society” set had attended the steeplechase and pony contests. Included among the notables were August Belmont, the Harrimans, a Whitney or two, and Mr. and Mrs. Hofstra. As Mrs. Hofstra was a notable equestrienne, it is possible she was among those who “followed the contestants in the longer races on horseback.”

By 1903 the Hofstras had purchased a 15-acre parcel of land in Hempstead. The land was in the vicinity of such estates as those owned by Edwin Morgan, August Belmont, Mrs. Jane Kernochan, O.W. Bird, and others. Mr. Howard Brower, William Hofstra’s business partner, called the homsite, “a hayfield with a small house.” A year earlier, William had purchased the J.K. Van Wranken estate for $12,000 in order to run the Nassau Lumber Company. The Hofstras decided to build a home on their land and hired architects H. Craig Severance and Wellington Ward. Severance was both a noted architect and promoter of buildings. He was only 25 when he and Wellington Ward designed the Hofstra home, which later became known as “The Netherlands,” recognizing William’s Dutch ancestry.

During the early 1900s and the Progressive era, women who were socialites looked for “good works” or projects that contributed to the social good. Mrs. Minnie Maddern Fiske, who was a stage actress known as the “First Lady of the American Stage,” was also internationally recognized for her work to prevent cruelty to animals. Mrs. Fiske gave a special performance in New York to help establish the Bide-A-Wee Home for Animals. Kate Hofstra was present at the performance and became the first vice president of this organization. For more than 30 years, Mrs. Hofstra continued her association with Bide-A-Wee, as she raised countless funds for the organization. She also left Bide-A-Wee a sizeable sum in her will.

Mr. Hofstra’s business dealings were often mentioned in the news. In a business dissolution notice of 1913, he is noted as being president of Sea Coast Lumber Company, which had incorporated in 1904 in Hempstead. Mr. Hofstra is also noted as being a director of the Diamond Head Match Company, as well as a director of Price Brothers, a Canadian manufacturer of lumber, building supplies and pulp paper. According to a descendant of Sir William Price, the founder of the company, Mr. Hofstra was the largest shareholder of Price Brothers stock outside of family members.

William Hofstra continued to serve as the New York director of the Price Brothers firm, and he had offices in midtown New York. The Hofstras attended many events in New York and stayed at the Ritz or other upscale New York hotels for periods of time. Their home on Long Island showcased their various hobbies and the many different species of trees that they planted on the property.
When Mr. Hofstra died in 1932, he left his estate in his wife’s hands. When she died just over a year later, she made a variety of small gifts to charities and friends but left the bulk of the property and estate to be used for charitable, scientific or humanitarian purposes, and named it in honor of William. It was up to two friends, Mr. Howard Brower and Mr. James Barnard, to decide what to do with the estate. Another Hempstead resident, Truesdel Peck Calkins, remarked to Mr. Brower that he had been looking for a site to start an institution of higher education, and the three men agreed it would be an appropriate use of the estate. Mr. Calkins approached the administration at New York University, and they were extremely interested. Initially called Nassau College – Hofstra Memorial of New York University, the college was founded as a coeducational, commuter institution with day and evening classes.

The first day of classes was September 23, 1935, and the first class of students was made up of 159 day and 621 evening students. Tuition for the entire year was $375. The college obtained a provisional charter, and its official name was changed to Hofstra College on January 16, 1937. Hofstra College separated from New York University in 1939 and was granted an absolute charter on February 16, 1940.

Hofstra’s seal was created by Professor of Art Constant van de Wall in 1937. The insignia was derived from the official seal of the House of Orange of the Netherlands and is used with the permission of the Crown. At the bottom of the seal are the words, “Je Maintiendra,” meaning “I stand steadfast” in Old French. By 1938 the alma mater was written by Hans J. Gottlieb, an instructor of English.

In 1939 Hofstra had its first four-year commencement, graduating a class of 83 students. The earliest graduates had strong feelings for the new institution, and although they were allowed to choose whether they would receive degrees from New York University or Hofstra, they overwhelmingly chose Hofstra degrees. Academic recognition of Hofstra was affirmed when the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools accepted Hofstra for membership on November 22, 1940. Early in 1941 the college was elected to membership in the American Association of Colleges.

With the advent of World War II, major changes occurred on campus. The armed services and war industries on Long Island brought about a major decline in the size of the student body. After the highs of enrollment of previous years, it plummeted to 159 students in 1944. Varsity sports were suspended for this period as well. When the war ended, record enrollments returned, thanks to the returning GIs and the GI Bill. In 1945 and 1946 intercollegiate sports resumed, and wrestling was introduced as a new sport in 1946, giving Hofstra its first undefeated team. In 1950 Calkins Gymnasium was the site of the first Shakespeare Festival. It was performed on a five-sixths-sized replica of the Globe Theatre.

With the approval of the New York State Board of Regents, Hofstra became Long Island’s first private university on March 1, 1963. Also in that year, the Board of Trustees passed a resolution that launched the effort to make Hofstra architecturally barrier-free for individuals with physical disabilities, stating that all students should have access to higher education. Although this later became federal law, Hofstra was recognized as a pioneer in this regard. Other forward-thinking programs and events followed, including the New Opportunities at Hofstra (NOAH) program, which was established the following year. NOAH is Hofstra’s Arthur O. Eve Higher Education Opportunity Program.

In 1963 Mitchel Air Force Base was closed by the military and was declared surplus property. The University asked for acreage to be used for educational purposes and was eventually granted 110 acres. Construction soon began on the North Campus, which included Hofstra’s first residence halls. Two towers were completed in 1966, two more in 1967, and by 1968 there were six towers, a Student Center, and a span across the Turnpike, which fed into an award-winning library building. The University reorganized its divisions into “schools” in the 1960s, with the School of Education being formed in 1964, and the Schools of Business and Continuing Education in 1965. Hofstra was authorized by the Board of Regents to offer its first doctoral degrees in 1966. In 1968 the Hofstra stadium added the first outdoor installation of Astroturf in the East, and the New York Jets became affiliated with the University, as the North Campus became home to the New York Jets’ summer training center for the next 40 years, until the team moved to its new complex in New Jersey.
Although the late 1960s and early 1970s were a period of student unrest, Hofstra was spared much of the violence that occurred at other educational institutions. Matters were settled peacefully here, and as a result, changes were made in both academic programming and in student life.

By 1970 Hofstra established the School of Law, and the first class was admitted in September of that year. In 1973 a Phi Beta Kappa charter was granted to Hofstra. During the recession of the 1970s, and because of declining enrollments, Hofstra was forced to respond by cutting back its staff. As a result, administrative changes took place, and the first imperative was to reestablish a balanced budget. The turnaround in enrollment came in the fall of 1976 and included students from a great diversity of geographic, economic and ethnic backgrounds. Hofstra was well on its way to becoming more of a nationally and internationally recognized educational institution. In 1981 Hofstra was publicly acclaimed as the first private university in the United States to achieve the goal of making all of the University’s programs and activities architecturally barrier-free, and in 1984 the University hosted the International Games for the Disabled. What had begun as a resolution adopted by the Board of Trustees in 1963, became part of campus life, as each new building was and is designed to accommodate those with physical disabilities.

By the 1980s, the University hosted more than 500 cultural events annually, including art shows, film festivals, seminars, concerts, drama and dance programs, and both national and international conferences. One of the most successful and prestigious events has been the Presidential Conference series, which began with an examination of the administrations of U.S. presidents since Hofstra’s founding. Presidents who have visited the campus include Dwight D. Eisenhower, Gerald Ford, Jimmy Carter, George H. Bush and William Jefferson Clinton, either for these conferences, or for honors or campaign visits.

Hofstra University has consistently provided students with state-of-the-art facilities, whether it was for studying broadcast journalism or participating in intercollegiate sports. The Television Institute was established in the spring of 1986; James M. Shuart Stadium was the first outdoor stadium in the country to receive Balsam Turf in 1988; and Breslin Hall, a building dedicated to classrooms, was completed in 1990. By 1993 a bird sanctuary was created on the North Campus, while outdoor sculpture was placed in select areas on both the North and South Campuses. In the 1990s Hofstra continued to update its curriculum and add courses for its students, including the establishment of the School of Communication in 1995 and the School for University Studies in 1996.

In 2005 the School of Communication celebrated its 10th year as a college at Hofstra University, while Hofstra University Honors College celebrated the graduation of its first class. In fact, every one of Hofstra’s colleges had an outstanding year, and each played an integral role in the growth of the University. The highlight of 2005, which included the involvement of all areas of the University, was the 11th presidential conference, William Jefferson Clinton: The “New Democrat” From Hope. In a fascinating 80-minute speech, President Clinton himself offered a critique of his administration and record before an audience of nearly 5,000 students, scholars and Hofstra community members.

The 2006-2007 academic year included many landmark events and programs. The year began with a symposium that explored how the tragic events of September 11, 2001, have forever changed our world, as well as a series of lectures and concerts celebrating the 250th anniversary of the birth of Mozart. Hofstra’s Center for Civic Engagement launched a variety of inaugural events geared toward encouraging students to be aware and active citizens. There were faculty installation ceremonies for the newly created Kalikow Chair in Presidential Studies and the Monsignor Thomas J. Hartman Chair in Catholic Studies. Some students spent their spring break in Bluff, Utah, working on a Navajo reservation, while others spent 10 weeks of the spring 2007 semester on a “European Odyssey,” traveling through 12 European countries.
The past year and a half has seen the unfolding of some of the most significant events in Hofstra’s history.

On October 15, 2008, Hofstra hosted the third and final presidential debate between President-elect Barack Obama and Senator John McCain. The debate took place at the David S. Mack Sports and Exhibition Complex. The advent of the debate brought thousands of guests to campus, including more than 3,000 members of the media. Hundreds of students were able to volunteer and work on the debate in various capacities, ranging from working in the credentialing center to assisting broadcast media operations to working in the debate hall itself. Hofstra was allotted a small quantity of tickets to the debate, and every one of those went into a student lottery, giving a number of lucky students the opportunity to see history unfold and witness the political process front and center.

Eleven months before the debate, on November 19, 2007, to be exact, the Commission on Presidential Debates had announced the selection of Hofstra as a debate site. That announcement precipitated 11 busy months of preparations as well as the launch of an innovative program titled Educate ’08, which brought to campus a variety of high-profile speakers to discuss various political issues. Among them were presidential adviser and Harvard University professor David Gergen; Pulitzer Prize-winning columnist Maureen Dowd and The Weekly Standard editor William Kristol; conservative voice and political adviser Mary Matalin; political icon and media personality James Carville; former New York Governor Mario Cuomo; ABC News’ George Stephanopoulos; former White House Press Secretaries Dee Dee Myers and Ari Fleischer; and 1988 Democratic presidential nominee and former Massachusetts Governor Michael Dukakis.

Though the presidential debate was the most prominent of recent on-campus events, the University experienced many other momentous developments, and these have had and will continue to have a great impact on the campus and students.

In October 2007 Hofstra President Stuart Rabinowitz announced plans to open a medical school on the Hofstra campus in partnership with North Shore-LIJ Health System. The proposed Hofstra University School of Medicine took a major step forward in March 2008 when the joint agreement was finalized between Hofstra and North Shore-LIJ and the appointment of a dean, Lawrence G. Smith, M.D., was announced. Dr. Smith has served as North Shore-LIJ’s chief medical officer since September 2006. Hofstra University School of Medicine in partnership with North Shore-LIJ Health System, which hopes to admit its first class in 2011, is currently pursuing preliminary accreditation with the Liaison Committee on Medical Education and approval from the state of New York.

Also in March 2008 President Rabinowitz announced that His Holiness the 14th Dalai Lama, Tenzin Gyatso, is the first recipient of Hofstra’s international Guru Nanak Interfaith Prize. The prize, established through an endowment from the family of Ishar Singh Bindra, recognizes efforts to facilitate interfaith dialogue.

Other newsworthy events included the expansion of Hofstra’s Center for Suburban Studies into The National Center for Suburban Studies at Hofstra University™; the launch of the Wilbur F. Breslin Center for Real Estate Studies; the opening of NewsHub, a state-of-the-art converged newsroom and multimedia classroom within the School of Communication; the 50th anniversary of the John Cranford Adams Playhouse; the faculty installation of the Sardani Kuljit Kaur Bindra Chair in Sikh Studies; and the announcement that four Hofstra faculty members received Fulbright grants.
When our doors opened on September 23, 1935, 19 faculty in four programs of study taught a few hundred students in one building, Hofstra Hall. Few would have predicted Hofstra’s tremendous growth over the past 73 years. Today, almost 13,000 students – with 300 undergraduate and graduate programs from which to choose – learn from more than 500 full-time faculty on our 240-acre campus. Our faculty are leading scholars in their disciplines, and our more than 115,000 alumni are experiencing great success in their chosen careers.

Just as commencement is the celebration of continued academic and professional growth for our students, Hofstra University continues to grow and evolve to meet the needs of a new generation of students.
Commencement Notes

THE FLAG

The Hofstra flag, bearing the seal of the University, was presented to Hofstra on April 19, 1940, by Dr. Alexander Loudon, envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary, in the name of Her Majesty, Wilhelmina, queen of the Netherlands. The seal is derived from the coat of arms of the House of Orange-Nassau. The motto, “Je maintiendrai,” means “I stand steadfast.”

THE CEREMONIAL MACE

The ceremonial mace, carried by the grand marshal in the academic procession, was given to Hofstra by Halsted Billings Vander Poel, son of former Trustee W. Halsted Vander Poel.

The mace is made of silver with a shaft of ebony. Its design is based upon one of the oldest maces of Yale University, dating from the time of Queen Anne. Engraved upon the head is the Hofstra seal. Around the upper portion of the haft appears the quotation from the Book of Proverbs: “The hearing ear, and the seeing eye, the Lord hath made even both of them.”

The history of the mace in ceremonies began in the 13th century when ceremonial maces were borne by the serjeant at arms, a royal bodyguard established in France by Phillip II and in England by Richard I. When used in our Commencement Exercises, its presence symbolizes the authority by which Commencement is held and under which degrees are granted.

THE GONFALONS

Of the 10 gonfalons, five of the pennantlike ensigns plus the Hofstra seal were first presented in University ceremonies during the dedication of the Hofstra Library in 1967. The gonfalon for the School of Law was added in 1970, followed by the University Libraries’ gonfalon in 1993, the School of Communication gonfalon in 1996, the School for University Studies’ gonfalon in 1997, and the Honors College gonfalon in 2001. The history of the ceremonial use of gonfalons seems lost in antiquity. Probably best remembered is their appearance at the head of the parades of the Crusades where they presented the coats of arms of legion commanders. The gonfalons of Hofstra carry the seals of the colleges and schools of the University.

The seal of Hofstra is worked in threads of gold, silver, red, blue and green against a background of white silk, derived from the great seal of the House of Orange-Nassau, and is at the center of the stage. (See note under “The Flag.”)

The gonfalons are displayed from left to right.

The gonfalon of Hofstra College of Liberal Arts and Sciences carries the seal of the province of Friesland, the original home of the Hofstra family. The pennant below the seal has the colors of Hofstra, blue and gold, at the left and right, and the colors of the college, white for arts and gold for sciences, through the center.

The School of Education, Health and Human Services’ gonfalon carries the seal of the province of Groningen. The colors of Hofstra trim the pennant, while the light blue of education is the center color.
The gonfalon of New College for Interdisciplinary Studies carries the seal of the province of Zeeland. The University blue and gold trim the sides of the pennant, with the white center band proclaiming the liberal arts philosophy of New College for Interdisciplinary Studies.

The gonfalon of the Frank G. Zarb School of Business carries the seal of the province of Gelderland. The University blue and gold trim the pennant, with the traditional “drab” filling the center stripe of the gonfalon.

The gonfalon of Hofstra University School of Law carries the seal of Noord Brabant province, is trimmed in the University colors, and carries a band of purple through the center to indicate law.

The gonfalon of the School of Communication carries the seal of the province of Arnhem. The University blue and gold trim the panel of lavender and deep purple with a center panel of white representing the arts.

The gonfalon of Honors College adapts the seal of the Frisian town of Tytsjerksteradiel. The pennant design uses the University colors in a traditional woven heraldic pattern representing the interrelationship of disciplines in Honors College.

The Hofstra University Libraries’ gonfalon carries the seal of the province of Rotterdam. University colors trim the pennant. The center area carries the colors of all the colleges and schools and is overlaid with a band of lemon yellow, representing the discipline of library science.

The gonfalon of Hofstra University Continuing Education carries the seal of Limburg province. University colors trim the pennant, and the center area carries the colors of all the colleges and schools.

The seal on the gonfalon for the School for University Studies comes from the Dutch municipality of Apeldoorn in the province of Gelderland. The white center symbolizes the arts and letters. The adjacent strips of gold and blue represent the colors of Hofstra University, and the border of red and blue is reminiscent of the colors of the flag of the modern state of the Netherlands.

THE MARSHALS’ SCAPULARS

The marshals in today’s academic procession are wearing specially designed scapulars of their offices. The scapulars draw their basic characteristics from the official seal of the University. Each is designed against a background of silver thread, laid with gold lace and embroidered threads of red, blue and green, the colors of the Hofstra seal.

The scapular of the grand marshal carries the University seal in full color as the breastplate. The breastplates of the other marshals are linked with other significant sections of the seal. The badges of the trustee and guest marshal, faculty marshal, and graduate marshal carry four, three, or two tassels of gold, in order of rank, while the scapulars of the highest rank, grand marshal, and the baccalaureate marshal are without tassels. Assistant marshals carry batons.

These badges of office and the gonfalons were designed and executed by Gabriel Joors and family, working in cooperation with Robert D. Noble, former secretary of the University, 1954-1984. The Libraries’ gonfalon was designed by a committee of the Library staff under the direction of Dr. Charles R. Andrews, former dean of the Joan and Donald E. Axinn Library. It was hand sewn by Louise McCourt and dedicated in November 1993. The School of Communication gonfalons was also sewn by Louise McCourt and dedicated during the 1996 Commencement Exercises, The gonfalons for the School for University Studies was designed by David C. Christman, former dean of the School for University Studies, sewn by Louise McCourt, and dedicated in 1997. The gonfalons for Honors College was designed by Dr. J. Stephen Russell, former dean of Honors College, and sewn by Louise McCourt.
ACADEMIC HERALDRY

The wearing of caps, gowns, and hoods at college and university functions dates to the Middle Ages, when they were first worn by monks and students for warmth in the damp and drafty 12th-century castles and halls of learning. Through the years their styles and colors have come to represent certain specific meanings.

Gowns for the bachelor's degree have a semistiff yoke, long pleated front, and intricate shirring across the shoulders and back. The bachelor's gown is worn closed and is distinguished primarily by its long pointed sleeves.

The gown for the master's degree has the same yoke effect as that of the bachelor's, but is designed so that it may be worn open or closed. The back of the sleeve is oblong and cut square, with the front part carrying a cutaway arc.

Gowns for the doctoral degree may also be worn open or closed. They have long velvet panels down the front and three velvet bars on the bell-shaped sleeves. This velvet trimming may be either black or the color distinctive of the field of learning to which the degree pertains.

Members of the Hofstra University Board of Trustees wear academic robes and caps in the distinctive colors of the University. A small, embroidered replica of the seal of the University is worn on each lapel.

It is the hood that gives color and definitive meaning to the academic costume. The hood is of varying sizes for master's and doctoral degrees and of material to match the gown. It is lined with the color or colors of the institution conferring the degree. The hood is bordered with velvet of the proper width and color to indicate the field of learning.

Agriculture ....................... Maize
Arts, Letters, Humanities,  Library Science ....................... Lemon
    Communication ................... White
Commerce, Accountancy,    Medicine ................................. Green
    Business ......................... Drab
Dentistry ......................... Lilac
Economics ......................... Copper
Education ......................... Light Blue
Engineering ....................... Orange
Fine Arts, including         Library Science ....................... Lemon
    Architecture ................... Brown
    Forestry ......................... Russet
Home Economics ................ Maroon
Journalism ....................... Crimson
Law ............................... Purple
    Library Science ....................... Lemon
    Medicine ................................. Green
    Music ............................... Pink
    Nursing .............................. Apricot
    Oratory (Speech) .................. Silver Gray
    Pharmacy ............................ Olive Green
    Philosophy ....................... Dark Blue
    Physical Education ............. Sage Green
    Public Administration, including
        Foreign Service ................ Peacock Blue
        Public Health ................... Salmon Pink
        Science ........................... Golden Yellow
        Social Work .................... Citron
        Theology .......................... Scarlet
        Veterinary Science .............. Gray
**Academic Honors**

Some undergraduate students in today’s ceremony are wearing special scapulars that identify them as honors graduates. They have earned this distinction by maintaining a high grade point average and by completing the requirements for University honors.

Dean’s List honors are awarded each semester to first-year students who earn a 3.3 or higher grade point average, and to sophomores, juniors and seniors who earn a grade point average of 3.4 or higher.

Full-time students who achieve a 4.0 grade point average in a given semester are designated Provost’s Scholars.

University honors are awarded upon completion of a series of seminars in Honors College with a 3.6 or higher grade point average.

Baccalaureate degrees with distinction are conferred upon students who have achieved the following grade point averages:

- **summa cum laude** 3.9
- **magna cum laude** 3.8
- **cum laude** 3.6

Departmental honors are bestowed upon graduates who have successfully completed special requirements in their majors. There are two degrees of honors: high honors and honors. The degree of honors is based on achievement in honors essays or seminars and grades in department courses.

Master’s degrees with distinction are conferred upon students who have attained a minimum grade point average of 3.75.

- **ALPHA EPSILON DELTA**, national premedical honor society
- **ALPHA EPSILON RHO**, honor society within the National Broadcasting Society
- **ALPHA KAPPA DELTA**, international sociology honor society
- **ALPHA MU ALPHA**, national honor society in marketing
- **ALPHA PSI OMEGA**, national drama honor society
- **ALPHA SIGMA LAMBDA**, national honor society for nontraditional adult students
- **BETA ALPHA PSI**, national honor society for financial information professionals
- **BETA BETA BETA**, national biological honor society
- **BETA GAMMA SIGMA**, honor society serving collegiate schools of business accredited by AACSB
- **INTERNATIONAL CHI SIGMA IOTA**, international honor society for counselors in training, counselor educators and professional counselors
- **ENGLISH HONOR SOCIETY**, Hofstra University society for English majors
- **ETA SIGMA GAMMA**, national professional health education honor society
- **GAMMA KAPPA ALPHA**, national Italian honor society
- **GOLDEN KEY**, international honor society for all academic fields
- **KAPPA DELTA PI**, international honor society in education
- **KAPPA MU EPSILON**, national mathematics honor society
- **LAMBDA LAMBDA LAMBDA**, national collegiate honor society for anthropology
- **LAMBDA PI ETA**, National Communication Association honor society
- **OMICRON DELTA EPSILON**, international economics honor society
- **PHI ALPHA THETA**, international history honor society
- **PHI BETA KAPPA SOCIETY**, oldest and most prestigious undergraduate honors organization in the United States
- **PHI DELTA KAPPA**, international professional education honor society
- **PHI ETA SIGMA**, national freshman honor society
- **PI DELTA PHI**, national French honor society
- **PI GAMMA MU**, international social science honor society
- **PI KAPPA LAMBDA**, national music honor society
- **PI SIGMA ALPHA**, national political science honor society
- **PSI CHI**, national psychology honor society
- **SIGMA DELTA PI**, national collegiate Hispanic honor society
- **SIGMA PI**, Hofstra University speech honor society
- **SIGMA PI SIGMA**, national physics honor society
- **SOCIETY FOR COLLEGIAL JOURNALISTS, PI DELTA EPSILON Chapter**, national honor society for meritorious work on campus media
- **UPSILON PHI DELTA**, honor society of the Association of University Programs in Health Administration
- **UPSILON PI EPSILON**, international honor society for computing and information disciplines
Honorary Degree Recipient

THE HONORABLE THOMAS P. DINAPOLI ’76

The Honorable Thomas P. DiNapoli was sworn in as the 54th comptroller of the state of New York on February 7, 2007. As chief fiscal officer for New York, he is responsible for managing and protecting the state pension fund, auditing the spending practices of all state agencies and local governments, reviewing the New York state and New York City budgets, reviewing and approving all state contracts, and administering the New York State Environmental Protection and Spill Compensation Fund.

Mr. DiNapoli graduated magna cum laude with a bachelor’s degree in history from Hofstra University in 1976. He later earned a master’s degree in human resources management from The New School University’s Graduate School of Management and Urban Professions (now Milano The New School for Management and Urban Policy).

Prior to his current position, Mr. DiNapoli represented the 16th Assembly District in northwestern Nassau County for 20 years. During his tenure in the New York State Assembly, Mr. DiNapoli chaired the Local Governments Committee, the Governmental Operations Committee, and the Environmental Conservation Committee. He was a sponsor of legislation creating the Nassau County Interim Finance Authority, which helped Nassau County emerge from serious fiscal distress and restore fiscal responsibility. Mr. DiNapoli also helped draft and pass stronger school district accountability laws in response to the scandals that exposed the theft of millions in taxpayer dollars on Long Island.

As chair of the Environmental Conservation Committee for five years, Mr. DiNapoli earned a reputation as one of New York state’s strongest voices on environmental issues, leading the fight to pass the nation’s first phase-out of the ground water contaminant MTBE and to refinance the state’s Superfund Program. Mr. DiNapoli also co-authored legislation creating the Long Island Pine Barrens Protection Act.

Mr. DiNapoli first gained distinction in 1972 when, at the age of 18, he was elected a trustee of the Mineola Board of Education, becoming the youngest person in New York state to hold public office.
Order of Exercises

BACCALAUREATE, GRADUATE AND LAW COMMENCEMENT
Thursday, December 18, 2008, 7:30 p.m.
David S. Mack Sports and Exhibition Complex

PRESIDING

STUART RABINOWITZ, J.D.
President of the University
Andrew M. Boas and Mark L. Claster Distinguished Professor of Law

Program

PROCESSIONAL, the audience standing

POMP AND CIRCUMSTANCE, NO. 1, SIR EDWARD ELGAR
THE HOFSTRA UNIVERSITY COMMENCEMENT ORCHESTRA
DAVID R. RAMAEL, D.M.A., Conductor
Assistant Professor of Music
Hofstra College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

MASTER OF CEREMONIES

HERMAN A. BERLINER, PH.D.
Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs
Lawrence Herbert Distinguished Professor
Professor of Economics

INVOCATION, the audience standing

RICHARD N. HAYES, PH.D.
Member, University Board of Chaplains, Hofstra University Interfaith Center
Assistant Professor of Management, Entrepreneurship and General Business
Frank G. Zarb School of Business

NATIONAL ANTHEM and ALMA MATER, the audience standing

Led by ALISON MARCHIONI, CLASS OF 2009
Accompanied by THE HOFSTRA UNIVERSITY COMMENCEMENT ORCHESTRA

WELCOME AND COMMENTARY

PRESIDENT RABINOWITZ

CONFERRING OF HONORARY DEGREE

HON. THOMAS P. DiNAPOLI, B.A., '76; M.S.
New York State Comptroller
Doctor of Humane Letters, honoris causa
Presented by JOHN D. MILLER, B.A., '79
Member, Hofstra University Board of Trustees
Citation and Conferring of Degree by PRESIDENT RABINOWITZ
REMARKS

THE HONORABLE THOMAS P. DINAPOLI

PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES FOR BACCALAUREATE DEGREES AND CERTIFICATES OF COMPLETION IN PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT STUDIES

PROVOST BERLINER

CONFERRING OF BACCALAUREATE DEGREES AND CERTIFICATES OF COMPLETION IN PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT STUDIES

PRESIDENT RABINOWITZ

PARADE AND RECOGNITION OF BACCALAUREATE DEGREE AND CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION IN PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT STUDIES RECIPIENTS

Introductions by

GAIL SCHWAB, Ph.D.
Associate Dean, Hofstra College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
Professor of French

MARC OPPENHEIM, B.A., '00
Assistant Dean, School of Communication

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